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| 11. | Winter Show'97<br>Dec. 20-31, 1997. | -do- | All type of Consumer products categories, giftware, textiles, good living home appliances etc. |
| 12. | International Security Exhibition.<br>Dec. 97 (Tentative) | -do- | Security systems, gadgets, instrument and accessories, etc. |
| 13. | Tex-Styles India'98<br>Jan. 20-31, 1998. | -do- | Yarns, fibres, threads, fabrics, knits, home furnishings and made-ups CAD/CAM systems, light machinery for textile industry etc. |
| 14. | Ahara'98<br>March 16-20, 1998. | -do- | Food processing/packing machinery, packing meterial, agricultural product fresh fruit and vegetables, hotel and restaurant industry, refrigeration machinery, kitchen equipment etc. |
| 15. | Agri-Expo'98<br>March, 1998.<br>(Tentative) | -do- | All aspects of agriculture, horticulture, floriculture, sericulture, highyielding seeds, fertilisers, chemical insecticides, pesticides, irrigation, tractors and farming machinery etc. |
| 16. | India Int'l Leather Fair<br>February 5-9, 1998. | Chennai | Footwear manufacturing machinery leather manufacturing machinery leather manufactures travel goods purses and fashion accessories etc. |
| 17. | Int'l Leather Goods Fair,<br>March 21-23, 1998. | Calcutta | Leather goods and products. |

**National Sericulture Project**

5394. SHRI N.J. RATHWA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the states including Gujarat which have been selected for the National Sericulture Project and the details of works done under this project;

(b) the amount of financial assistance received from World Bank and Swiss Development Corporation for the said project till date; and

(c) the date by which this project is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI R.L. JALAPPA): (a) A World Bank/Swiss Development Cooperation assisted National Sericulture Project was implemented in 5 traditional sericulture States namely Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, West Bengal and Jammu & Kashmir and on a pilot basis in 12 non-traditional States namely Assam, Bihar, Kerala, Rajasthan, Orissa, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Punjab, Haryana and Himachal Pradesh.

Under the project, the components financed are development oriented, with several innovative and synergic constituents. Besides creation of substantial infrastructural facilities by the States and CSB for the discharge of functions like the supply of quality basic and rearer seed, markets for decentralised private rearers and reelers, research and development and training facilities for on-farm and off-farm activities the project has also attempted the incorporation of efforts by Non Governmental Organisations (NGOs) by assisting 125 NGOs. The progress in quantitative as well as qualitative terms has not been insignificant and on the technology generation and absorption side, progress has ranged from the evolution of techniques for genetic marketing of live sericulture material to the introduction of low cost energy conserving ovens in reelers' establishments in the country.

(b) The World Bank/Swiss Development Cooperation have disbursed US $ 120.9 million up to February, 1997 under the project.

(c) The project which commenced in 1989 has closed on 31st December, 1996.

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**Plywood Mills**

5395. SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI NAVINCHANDRA MEHTA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have been issuing licences for setting up of or upgradation of Veneer Mills to Plywood Mills: